retirement he continued to do work on medical boards until a few weeks before his death.

William Anderson had been a magnificent games-player in his youth, and at Edinburgh he captained successively the university hockey and shinty teams. He was also a fine soccer player, and had a low golf handicap. He was a kindly man, of great humility and courage, and will be sadly missed by his friends.—A. W. D.

## G. S. N. HUGHES, D.S.O., L.M.S.S.A.

Colonel G. S. N. Hughes, formerly an officer in the Indian Medical Service, and, at the time of his death, a general practitioner in South Wales, died at Trawscoed, Cardiganshire, on May 30.

George Sidney Norman Hughes was born on October 6, 1907, and received his professional training at St. Mary's Hospital, qualifying L.M.S.S.A. in 1932. In the following year he entered the Indian Medical Service, in which he served until 1947. In India he soon showed his administrative ability, particularly in the planning and equipment of hospitals. During the second world war he served in various theatres, and in 1943 was awarded the D.S.O. for gallant and distinguished services in the Middle East, having been previously mentioned in dispatches. Later he was awarded the American Silver Star for gallantry at Cassino, in Italy. After the war he spent 18 months in Japan and Korea, and then returned to India, where he remained until the Indian Medical Service was disbanded in 1947. During the Suez crisis in 1956 he was recalled to take command of the 5th General Hospital, with the rank of colonel in the Army Medical Services.

Administration and Army methods had become a habit with him by the time he retired from the Indian Medical Service, but 10 years ago he settled down in general practice in his home country, first at Trawscoed, Cardiganshire, and then in the Gwendraeth valley. He never failed his patients, and as a routine would always follow closely behind the ambulance taking a seriously ill patient to hospital. To him the British Legion was a sacred mission, and he was ever ready to fight for what he considered to be the rights of ex-Service men. He was a former president of the Carmarthenshire branch of the Legion. He had a wide general knowledge of the world and its affairs and he was a fine artist. He lived every one of his 51 years to the hilt. His infectious spirit of dedicated service in the cause of others will remain to inspire his successors. His two sons are following a military career.

## J. H. FAIRWEATHER, M.D., M.R.C.P., D.P.H. D.M.R.E.

Dr. J. H. Fairweather, consultant physician to the Blackburn Royal Infirmary, and a well-known practitioner in Clitheroe, Lancashire, died at the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro, on June 26, while on holiday. He was 61 years of age.

Joseph Hayes Fairweather was born at Clitheroe on February 27, 1898, and was educated at Clitheroe Royal Grammar School and at Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.B., Ch.B. in 1920. After holding the appointments of resident medical officer at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, house-physician at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, and house-surgeon to the maternity branch of St. Mary's Hospitals, Manchester, he obtained the Cambridge D.P.H., with distinction in hygiene and bacteriology. In 1922 he took up the post of junior housesurgeon at the Blackburn and East Lancashire Royal Infirmary, and in 1923 he was house-surgeon and housephysician at the Victoria Hospital, Burnley. A year or so later he settled in his native town, where he soon acquired a large practice, in which, ultimately, he had three partners.

He was also medical officer of health to the Clitheroe municipal borough and rural district councils for some years.

J. M. W. writes: Dr. J. H. Fairweather was a man with an insatiable desire for knowledge and an immense capacity for work. While continuing his general practice he proceeded to the M.D., with high commendation, in 1923; he was elected a Member of the Royal College of Physicians of London in 1931; and he took the Liverpool D.M.R.E. in 1940. His outstanding ability was soon recognized, and in 1925 he was appointed assistant physician to Blackburn Royal Infirmary, where, later, he was also honorary assistant radiologist. He became full physician in 1927.

As a clinician he was brilliant, and his colleagues could always rely on his opinion with confidence. However, the heavy demands of his practice made him resign his hospital appointment in 1942, as he felt he could not devote sufficient time to the work if he were to serve his patients as he wanted to. "Joe" was very modest, sincere, and extremely conscientious. He had a great sense of duty. A man of deep religious convictions, he was a lay preacher for many years and a man who practised what he preached. For a long time to come he will be remembered with gratitude and love by his colleagues and his patients, to whom he was also a friend and counsellor. He had a very happy home life, and without doubt this enabled him to do the immense amount of work he did. To his widow and children, of whom two are doctors, we offer our very deepest sympathy.

## M. SOLOMON, L.M.S.

Dr. M. Solomon, for many years a medical officer on the staff of the Indian Railways and in recent years a general practitioner at Cambridge, died at Addenbrooke's Hospital on June 1, aged 67.

Moses Solomon was born at Karachi on October 31, 1891. Receiving his professional education at Grant Medical College, Bombay, he qualified L.M.S. in 1913. He served with the Indian Army in the first world war, and subsequently became medical officer in charge of the Railway Hospital at Sholapin. In all, he was with the Indian Railways for 25 years. He came to England in 1950 and set up in general practice at Cambridge. Between that year and the time of his death—he had attended his surgery as usual the day before—he built up a good practice, his gentle manner gaining him the affection of all his patients. He leaves a widow and a daughter.

## K. J. AVELING, M.B., B.S.

Dr. K. J. Aveling, who died on August 10, will be greatly missed in the Bushey district of Hertfordshire, where he had practised for 48 years. He was 72 years of age.

Kenneth John Aveling was born on October 20, 1886. He received his medical training at the London Hospital, qualifying in 1909 and taking the London degrees of M.B., B.S. in the following year. He settled in general practice at Bushey in 1911, and remained there until his death, except for the period of his service in the first world war, mainly in France and India.

G. W. E. writes: Dr. K. J. Aveling came from a medical family, and the tradition is being carried on by his son, Dr. John Aveling. He held many appointments, including that of medical officer to the Royal Masonic School at Bushey. He was on the staff of the King Street Maternity Hospital and the Watford Peace Memorial Hospital up to the commencement of the National Health Service. The Peace Memorial Hospital appointed him an emeritus physician on his retirement. He was also on the staff of the Bushey and District Hospital, and was chairman of the medical staff committee for ten years. This hospital and its present staff